

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF WASAGA BEACH**

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
TOWN COUNCIL**

**Held Tuesday, December 17, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.  
In the Council Chambers**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	C. Patterson	Mayor
	D. Foster	Deputy Mayor
	R. Anderson	Councillor
	N. Bifulchi	Councillor
	S. Wells	Councillor
	G. Vadeboncoeur	Chief Administrative Officer
	P. Archdekin	Deputy Clerk
	M. Quinlan	Treasurer
	A. Webster	Special Events Coordinator
	<b>ABSENT:</b>	M. Bercovitch
	G. Watson	Councillor

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Patterson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Councillor Bifulchi declared a Pecuniary Interest with respect to the Public Works Report – Accounts – Cheque #010531 as it pertains to a family member.

**3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

MOVED BY D. FOSTER

SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-21-01

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Tuesday, November 26, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, are hereby adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

Mayor Patterson noted that both Councillor Watson and Councillor Bercovitch are out of the Province for the Christmas season.

**4. DEPUTATIONS, PETITIONS AND PUBLIC MEETINGS**

- a) **Presentation to Mr. Gord Knox on his retirement after 30+ years as the Town's Planning Consultant of record**

The Mayor advised that it was his honour to make this presentation and welcomed Mr. Gord Knox to the table. The Mayor noted Mr. Knox has spent many hours in the Town's Council Chamber since he began working as a Planning Consultant for the Town of Wasaga Beach in 1981 when he worked for Ainley & Associates. Mr. Knox continued his career with the Town as a Planning Consultant while working with F.J. Reinders and Associates in 1988 and continued working as a Planning Consultant of record for the Town while with Reinders/Southpark until his retirement in 2013.

During those years Mr. Knox worked on all of the Official Plan and Comprehensive Zoning By-Laws for the Town and attended multiple OMB Hearings on the Town's behalf, most of which he won. Mr. Knox has had a long and successful career with the Town and on behalf of Council recognized Mr. Knox for his contributions.

Mr. Knox thanked Mayor Patterson and advised that he wanted to come and say goodbye. In 1981 Bill Ainley called and said the Town was looking to find a new Planning Consultant. At the time he was doing work for all the surrounding municipalities. He became the Planning Consultant for the Town and in his opinion the things accomplished were good. His first job was after By-Law 80-52 was adopted and he was given a large pile of objections to go through. During that review he came across a letter from the Ministry of Natural Resources that the new By-Law didn't show any environmental protection zones other than water's edge. The original Zoning By-Law 75-10 was kept for another 20 years during which time there were Official Plan and Zoning updates that resulted in the passing of By-Law 2003-60. Mr. Knox noted there was an OMB Hearing that the Town lost. Mary Watson was the Zoning Administrator at that time and she couldn't believe we lost; sometimes you do - but there were not many loses. Dave Hulme was also a Zoning, Planning and By-Law Officer. Mr. Knox related a story of an OMB Hearing he was attending in Cookstown and had provided the Chair with coffee, tea, cookies. The Town was holding an OMB Hearing and he suggested that Mr. Hulme provide coffee, tea, cookies for the Chair. Mr. Hulme was not receptive to the idea and when the same Chair arrived he asked Mr. Knox where the coffee, tea and cookies were.

While in the office of Dave Kemp, Building Inspector/By-Law Officer, he recognized a picture of some men standing under a gargoyle in Toronto and asked Mr. Kemp about the picture. Mr. Kemp responded that his Grandfather was in the picture and Mr. Knox told him that his Grandfather was also in that same picture.

Mr. Knox advised that when the former Planner, Mara Burton left the Town, CAO Eric Collingwood called and asked if they had a Planner they could loan the Town. Ray Kelso was loaned to the Town and a month later Mr. Collingwood called Mr. Knox to advise he had good and bad news. The good news was the Town found a Planner and the bad news was that Gord Knox just lost a Planner. Mr. Knox noted how glad he is that it worked out well for the Town and Mr. Kelso. Mr. Knox indicated it seems he was destined to be in the Beach because as a youth in 1968 he rented a cottage from Flo Jowett and went skiing at Blue Mountain.

Wasaga Beach is a unique municipality in Ontario if not all of Canada due to its size and shape and function. At the time when he began working for the Town there was only two places for lunch and now there are dozens. That speaks well for Wasaga Beach growth and Councils have created a good municipality. It has been his distinct pleasure to have served here; he has enjoyed the citizens, staff and Members of Council over the years.

Back when there was a Planning Board, George Watson and Rick Archdekin served the municipality very well. These past 32 years have been good; Council has very good staff and is in good hands. Mr. Knox noted it has also been a pleasure working with Ray.

Mr. Knox advised that when cleaning out his office he came across some items for Mary Watson and the Archives; the original background report for the first Official Plan and original Zoning map masters for By-Law 75-10 and is giving these items back to the Town. Mr. Knox expressed his thanks to past and present Council's for its patience and guidance over the years and likes to think they were friends.

Mayor Patterson expressed his thanks to Mr. Knox for 32 years of professionalism and planning noting Mr. Knox moved our Town ahead. He also considers him a friend. On behalf of Council he extended congratulations to Mr. Knox on his retirement and once again expressed a thank you.

Mayor Patterson then presented Mr. Knox with a signed copy of the new book by Mary Watson, Town Archivist, Sharing Memories, as well as a Town jacket, cap and beach towel.

Mr. Knox thanked Mayor Patterson and shook hands with Members of Council, CAO, Clerk and Deputy Clerk before leaving.

**5. CORRESPONDENCE – Received for Information - None**

**CORRESPONDENCE – Requiring Action - None**

**CORRESPONDENCE – To be Referred**

**a) Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration – Volunteer Service Awards**

MOVED BY D. FOSTER

SECONDED BY S. WELLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-21-02

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby receive and refer the correspondence from the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration with respect to Volunteer Service Awards to the Parks, Recreation and Facilities Department for review and recommendation.

CARRIED

**6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None**

**7. COMMITTEE & OTHER BOARDS REPORTS**

**a) Committee of the Whole – December 3, 2013**

Mayor Patterson spoke to the highlights of the meeting and it was then;

MOVED BY S. WELLS  
SECONDED BY D. FOSTER

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-21-03

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Committee of the Whole Report dated December 3, 2013, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

**b) Public Works – December 5, 2013**

Councillor Bifulchi's previously declared Pecuniary Interest was noted and she withdrew from the table.

Deputy Mayor Foster spoke to the highlights of the meeting and it was then;

MOVED BY D. FOSTER  
SECONDED BY S. WELLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-21-04

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Public Works Committee Report dated December 5, 2013, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

Councillor Bifulchi resumed her place at the table.

**c) Committee of the Whole – December 10, 2013**

Mayor Patterson spoke to the highlights of the Report and it was then;

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI  
SECONDED BY S. WELLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-21-05

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby adopt the Committee of the Whole Report dated December 10, 2013, as circulated, and approves all actions contained therein.

CARRIED

**d) Clerk – Appointment to Healthy Communities Network**

MOVED BY S. WELLS  
SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-21-06

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby appoint Susan Luciani to the Healthy Communities Network.

CARRIED

**e) Special Events Coordinator – Sled Fest Road Closure**

MOVED BY S. WELLS  
 SECONDED BY D. FOSTER

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-21-07

RESOLVED THAT Council does hereby approve the closing of:

- Beach Drive from Spruce Street to 3rd Street,
- 2nd Street north of the former fire station #1, and
- 3rd Street north of the parking lot entrance; and,

FURTHER THAT Council approve the conversion of Spruce Street to a two-way street, from Saturday, January 4 at 6:00 a.m. to Sunday, January 5 at 6:00 p.m. for the Sled Fest event, with traffic control as required being provided by Town Municipal Law Enforcement staff; and,

FURTHER THAT Council's approval of the aforementioned roads is conditional on confirmation by the Provincial Park Superintendent that the event organizers have met all of the Ministry of Natural Resources, Wasaga Beach Provincial Park event requirements.

CARRIED

**8. NOTICES OF MOTION - None**

**9. MOTIONS – WHERE NOTICE HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY GIVEN - None**

**10. BY-LAWS AND CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

**a) A By-Law to Adopt the Estimates of all Sums required for all Municipal Purposes during the Year 2014**

The Mayor spoke to the highlights of the 2014 Operating and Capital Budget, the tax increase to an average home owner, capital projects and the Beach front.

Mayor Patterson thanked the Treasurer Mrs. Monica Quinlan, Financial Analyst Cindy Moore, the Chief Administrative Officer, George Vadeboncoeur for his leadership, Department Heads for their contribution to the budget and Council for its participation in the budget process. It was then;

MOVED BY S. WELLS  
 SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-21-08

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Adopt the Estimates of all Sums required for all Municipal Purposes during the Year 2014, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2013-106.

CARRIED

**b) A By-Law to Establish Fees and Charges to be Collected by the Corporation of the Town of Wasaga Beach**

MOVED BY S. WELLS

SECONDED BY R. ANDERSON

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-21-09

RESOLVED THAT A By-Law to Establish Fees and Charges to be Collected by the Corporation of the Town of Wasaga Beach, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2013-107.

CARRIED

**c) A By-Law to Assume Certain Streets and the Associated Services in the Town of Wasaga Beach for Trillium Forest Subdivision (Phase 2B) Registered Plan 51M-659 (Cherry Sands Crescent)**

MOVED BY D. FOSTER

SECONDED BY S. WELLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-21-10

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Assume Certain Streets and the Associated Services in the Town of Wasaga Beach for Trillium Forest Subdivision (Phase 2B) Registered Plan 51M-659, be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2013-108.

CARRIED

**d) Confirmatory By-Law**

MOVED BY S. WELLS

SECONDED BY D. FOSTER

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-21-11

RESOLVED THAT a By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of the Corporation of the Town of Wasaga Beach at its Regular Meeting held Tuesday, December 17, 2013 be received and be deemed to have been read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered No. 2013-109.

CARRIED

**11. MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

Councillor Bifulchi attended the Accessibility Standards Training, NVCA meeting, Tree Lighting, Santa Claus Parade, Funderland, Youth Centre meeting, Fire Fighter Appreciation Night and Town Christmas Dinner. Councillor Bifulchi extended a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to residents, staff and Council.

Deputy Mayor Foster attended the Santa Claus Parade and Town Christmas party. He reminded us to remember those less fortunate, the Food Bank and to be grateful for what we have. Deputy Mayor Foster extended to all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Councillor Wells attended the Santa Claus Parade, Funderland; Christmas dinner for Community Policing, Volunteer appreciation night for the Community Reach in Midland; opening of Silverstick Hockey Tournament; Jim Wilson's Christmas Reception; NVCA Source Protection Authority meeting; Chamber of Commerce Breakfast, Volunteer Fire Fighter Appreciation Night and his first Christmas Concert as a Grandfather at the Nursery School. Councillor Wells extended a Merry Christmas to residents, staff, Council and business people and all the best in 2014.

Councillor Anderson attended the Santa Claus Parade and wished everyone a very Merry Christmas.

Mayor Patterson attended the Blues Festival 2014 kick off; met with Minister Cirelli and Minister Jeffery, who is the Minister of Municipal Affairs; Santa Claus Parade, Funderland, guest on 97.7 the Beach; chaired a Food and Agriculture Charter meeting, Beach 1 & 2 Steering Committee meeting for property owners; dropped the puck at Silverstick; guest speaker on Chats 95.1; Hydro Strategic Planning meeting; Housing Strategy workshop; MPAC meeting with the Treasurer and CAO; teleconference with the St. Lawrence Great Lakes Initiative; guest speaker at Probus and a ribbon cutting for a spa in Stayner.

Mayor Patterson wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and looks forward to working with Council Members in 2014.

## **12. CALLING OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Development Committee	December 18 <sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m.
Public Works	February 6 <sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.
General Government	December 19 <sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m.
Community Services	January 21 <sup>st</sup> at 8:30 a.m.

The Chief Administrative Officer expressed to Council, senior staff's appreciation for its diligence during the budget process and series of meetings. The hard work was appreciated and the Chief Administrative Officer congratulated Council on approval of the 2014 Budget.

The next meeting of Council is January 14, 2014.

## **13. QUESTION PERIOD**

*"A fifteen (15) minute session wherein persons in attendance at the Regular Meeting of Council have an opportunity to raise questions pertaining to items that were dealt with by Council on the evening's Agenda."*

## **14. CLOSED SESSION**

- a) Personnel matters about an identifiable Individual – CAO's Annual Performance Appraisal

MOVED BY D. FOSTER  
SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-21-12

RESOLVED THAT pursuant to Section 239 of *The Municipal Act*, 2001, the next portion of the Council meeting held December 17, 2013 be closed to the public to consider personal matters about an identifiable individual.

CARRIED

Council went into Closed Session at 7:50 p.m.

MOVED BY S. WELLS  
SECONDED BY R. ANDERSON

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-21-13

RESOLVED THAT the December 17, 2013 Closed Session of the Council meeting adjourns and the open session resumes.

CARRIED

Closed Session adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI  
SECONDED BY S. WELLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-21-14

RESOLVED THAT Council of December 17, 2013 does hereby confirm the direction given to the Chief Administrative Officer, in the Closed Session.

CARRIED

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Patterson adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

The Minutes of this Meeting were approved by Council on the 14th day of January 2014.

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Cal Patterson, Mayor

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Twyla Nicholson, Clerk